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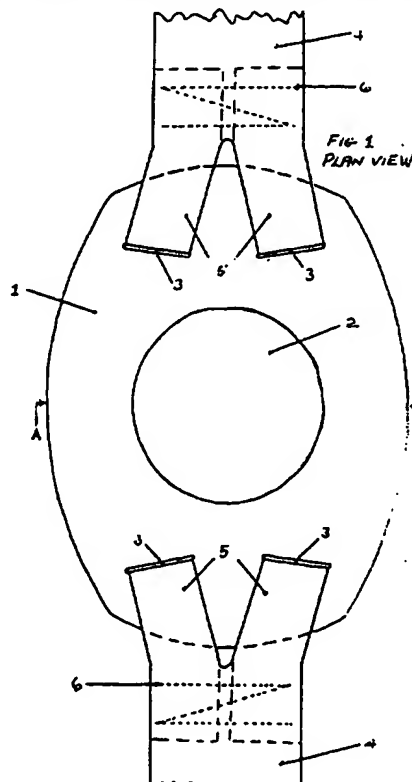
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(54) Surgical appliance for stoma hernias

(57) The appliance is comprised of a semi-rigid plastic flange 1 attached to an adjustable belt 4 that gives support to the muscles around a Colostomy, Urostomy or an Ileostomy stoma and will reduce the possibility of a rupture, or reduce the risk of expanding the size of an existing hernia.

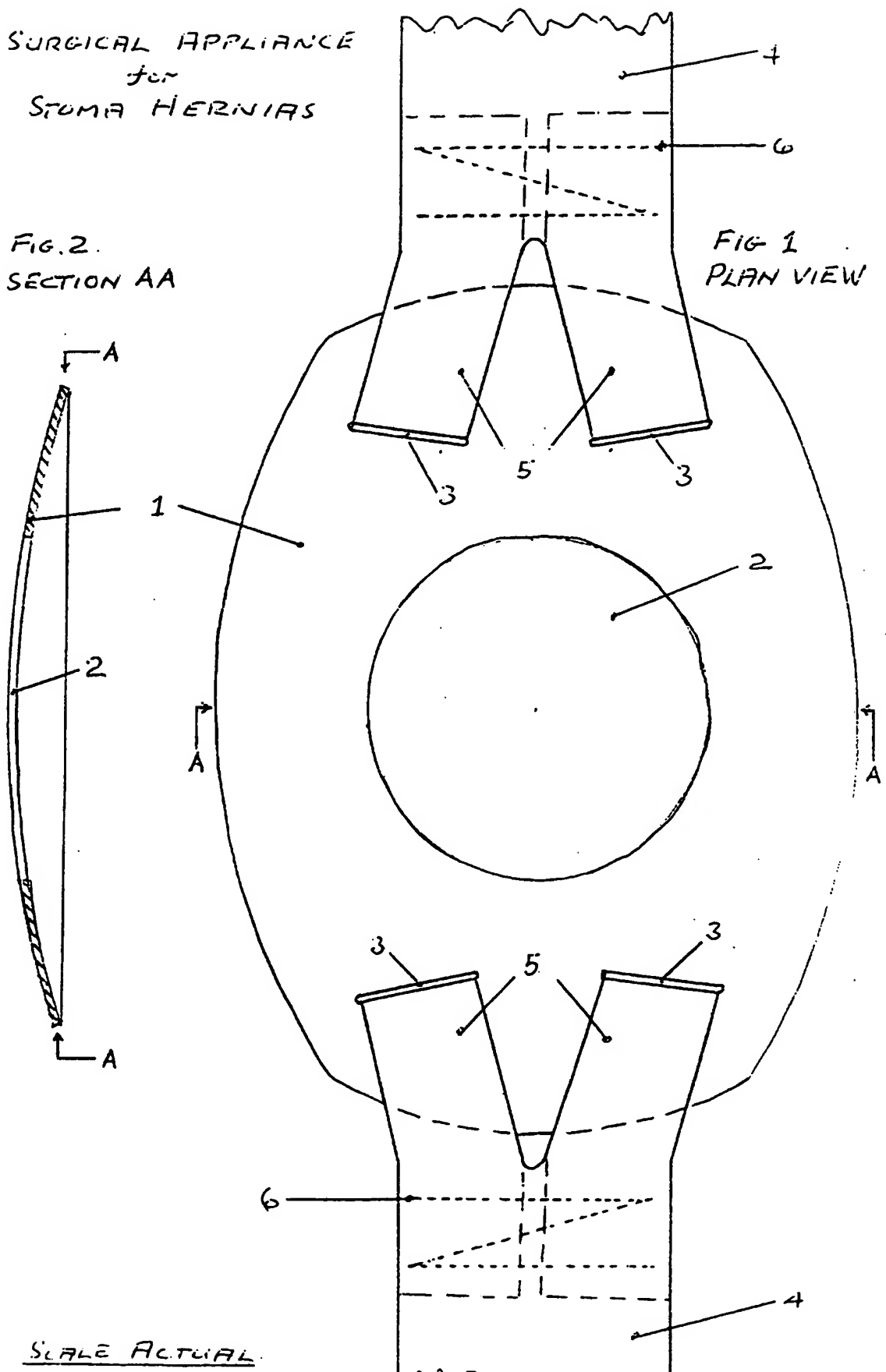


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SURGICAL APPLIANCE  
for  
STOMA HERNIAS

FIG. 2.  
SECTION AA

FIG 1  
PLAN VIEW



# SURGICAL APPLIANCE for STOMA HERNIAS.

This invention relates to a surgical appliance that applies pressure around a stoma and gives support to stomach muscles that have been ruptured.

The appliance is suitable for patients with a Colostomy, Urostomy or Ileostomy.

This invention comprises of a flange with belt attached that can be adjusted around the waist to give support to muscles surrounding a stoma.

The following details of the invention will be described with reference being made to the accompanying drawing in which:-

Fig.1 shows in plan view the flange with belt attached.

Fig.2 shows the flange in cross section.

The flange 1 is made of semi-rigid plastic, concaved and approx. 2mm in thickness.

The large centre hole 2 between 60/70mm in dia. varies in size to accommodate the adhesive disc of a stoma pouch, as produced by various manufacturers.

The four slots 3 are positioned to allow the split ends 5 of the body belt to pass through and secure flange 1 to body belt 4.

The body belt 4 is weaved from polyester fibre approx. 50mm in width. The belt is made adjustable in length and fastened with a clasp or Velcro.

Each free end of the body belt 4 is cut approx. 100mm along its length to form the split belt ends 5.

The four split belt ends 5 pass through the four slots 3 and fold back onto the full width of the body belt 4 and secured by machine stitching 6.

**CLAIMS.**

The Surgical Appliance for Stoma Hernias applies pressure direct to the hernia by way of the plastic flange and belt worn around the waist.

This surgical appliance also allows muscular pressure to be exerted onto the flange and will reduce the risk of further damage to the rupture.



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